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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

SIR:

In accordance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, Applicant hereby submits this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, including one (1) sheet of Form PTO-1449, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the above-identified patent application.

References A1 and A6-7 listed on the accompanying PTO form 1449 were cited by the Examiner in an European Search Report dated March 17, 2011 during the prosecution of corresponding European Patent Application Serial No. 10178204.3. A copy of the European Search Report dated March 17, 2011 issued in corresponding European Patent Application Serial No. 10178204.3 is cited as reference A9 on the accompanying PTO-1449 form.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(c)(1) and (e)(1). Each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in an European Search Report dated March 17, 2011 (i.e. a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement). Accordingly, the present Information Disclosure Statement is timely and it is believed that no fee is due in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. If it is

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determined that any additional fee is due, the Examiner is authorized to charge said fee to Attorney Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

Applicants respectfully request that the references cited in the accompanying PTO 1449 form be considered and made of record. Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are patentable over all of the references made of record at this time.

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